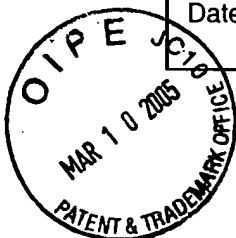


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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated December 10, 2004, for which a response is due on March 10, 2005. This response is filed March 10, 2005. Accordingly, this response is timely filed. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

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